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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Takashi SHIRAKAWA et al.
Title: EXHAUST GAS PURIFYING APPARATUS AND METHOD
FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE
Appl. No.: 10/780,774
Filing Date: 2/19/2004
Examiner: Tu Minh NGUYEN
Art Unit: 3748
Confirmation Number: 2066

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

[X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

| | Claims As Amended | | Previously Paid For | | Extra Claims Present | | Rate | | Additional Claims Fee |
|--|-------------------------|---|------------------------|---|----------------------------|---|----------|---|--------------------------|
| Total Claims: | 19 | - | 20 | = | 0 | x | \$50.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| Independent Claims: | 3 | - | 3 | = | 0 | x | \$200.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims: | | + | | | | | \$360.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| CLAIMS FEE TOTAL | | | | | | | | | = \$0.00 |

☐ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the first month: | \$120.00 | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the second month: | \$450.00 | \$0.00 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the fourth month: | \$1,590.00 | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the fifth month: | \$2,160.00 | \$0.00 |
| EXTENSION FEE TOTAL: | | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d): | \$130.00 | \$0.00 |
| CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FEE TOTAL: | | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above): | | \$0.00 |
| Extension Fees Previously Paid: | | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL FEE: | | \$0.00 |

If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated September 28, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: